

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 97-253-A)

**PATENT** 

IN THE APPLICATION OF: Barendse et al. Serial No. 09/089,871 Examiner: Peter Tung Filed: June 4, 1998 Group Art Unit: 1652 THE CENTER IN TH Title: High-Activity Phytase Compositions

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed on September 25, 2001. With this three-month extension, applicants' response is due by March 25, 2002. The requisite extension fee of \$920.00 accompanies this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 25, 2002

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